#### MARINER ENERGY INC

Form 4

March 14, 2008

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* JOSEY SCOTT D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

MARINER ENERGY INC [ME]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_\_ Director X\_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE 2000, 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH

(Street)

03/12/2008

(Middle)

03/12/2008

Chairman, CEO and President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

D

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

\$ 550,516

HOUSTON, TX 77042

Common

Stock

							Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	nired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/12/2008		S	6,826	D		551,032	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2008		S	172	D	\$ 27.51	550,860	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2008		S	34	D	\$ 27.52	550,826	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2008		S	172	D	\$ 27.53	550,654	D	

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Common Stock	03/12/2008	S	276	D	\$ 27.55	550,240	D
Common Stock	03/12/2008	S	621	D	\$ 27.56	549,619	D
Common Stock	03/12/2008	S	621	D	\$ 27.57	548,998	D
Common Stock	03/12/2008	S	517	D	\$ 27.58	548,481	D
Common Stock	03/12/2008	S	103	D	\$ 27.59	548,378	D
Common Stock	03/12/2008	S	2,172	D	\$ 27.6	546,206	D
Common Stock	03/12/2008	S	655	D	\$ 27.61	545,551	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	34,299	D	\$ 27.5	511,252	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	355	D	\$ 27.51	510,897	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	844	D	\$ 27.52	510,053	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	444	D	\$ 27.53	509,609	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	667	D	\$ 27.54	508,942	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	3,767	D	\$ 27.55	505,175	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	133	D	\$ 27.56	505,042	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	400	D	\$ 27.57	504,642	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	44	D	\$ 27.58	504,598	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	222	D	\$ 27.59	504,376	D
Common Stock	03/13/2008	S	1,422	D	\$ 27.6	502,954	D

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. ctionNumber of 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14					03/11/2008	03/11/2015	Common Stock	200,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Relationships

JOSEY SCOTT D ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE 2000

2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH X Chairman, CEO and President

HOUSTON, TX 77042

### **Signatures**

Scott D. Josey by Teresa G. Bushman pursuant to Power of Attorney dated March 1, 2006 (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Mr. Josey's Form 4 filed on May 11, 2006)

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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